

# Assignment 18 Solutions

## 1. Merge Intervals

Given an array of `intervals` where `intervals[i] = [starti, endi]`, merge all overlapping intervals, and return *an array of the non-overlapping intervals that cover all the intervals in the input*.

### Example 1:

Input: `intervals = [[1,3],[2,6],[8,10],[15,18]]`

Output: `[[1,6],[8,10],[15,18]]`

Explanation: Since intervals `[1,3]` and `[2,6]` overlap, merge them into `[1,6]`.

### Example 2:

Input: `intervals = [[1,4],[4,5]]`

Output: `[[1,5]]`

Explanation: Intervals `[1,4]` and `[4,5]` are considered overlapping.

### Constraints:

- `1 <= intervals.length <= 10000`
- `intervals[i].length == 2`
- `0 <= starti <= endi <= 10000`

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In [39]: def merge(intervals):
          intervals.sort(key=lambda x: x[0])

          merged = [intervals[0]]

          for interval in intervals[1:]:
              if interval[0] <= merged[-1][1]:
                  merged[-1][1] = max(merged[-1][1], interval[1])
              else:
                  merged.append(interval)

          return merged
```

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In [40]: intervals1 = [[1,3],[2,6],[8,10],[15,18]]
          print(merge(intervals1))
          intervals2 = [[1,4],[4,5]]
          print(merge(intervals2))

[[1, 6], [8, 10], [15, 18]]
[[1, 5]]
```

## 2. Sort Colors

Given an array `nums` with `n` objects colored red, white, or blue, sort them **in-place** so that objects of the same color are adjacent, with the colors in the order red, white, and blue.

We will use the integers `0`, `1`, and `2` to represent the color red, white, and blue, respectively.

You must solve this problem without using the library's sort function.

### Example 1:

Input: `nums = [2,0,2,1,1,0]`

Output: `[0,0,1,1,2,2]`

### Example 2:

Input: `nums = [2,0,1]`

Output: `[0,1,2]`

### Constraints:

- `n == nums.length`

- `1 <= n <= 300`
- `nums[i]` is either `0`, `1`, or `2`.

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In [41]: def sortColors(nums):
    low = 0
    mid = 0
    high = len(nums) - 1

    while mid <= high:
        if nums[mid] == 0:
            nums[low], nums[mid] = nums[mid], nums[low]
            low += 1
            mid += 1
        elif nums[mid] == 1:
            mid += 1
        else:
            nums[mid], nums[high] = nums[high], nums[mid]
            high -= 1

    return nums
```

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In [42]: nums1 = [2, 0, 2, 1, 1, 0]
print(sortColors(nums1))

nums2 = [2, 0, 1]
print(sortColors(nums2))

[0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2]
[0, 1, 2]
```

### 3. First Bad Version Solution

You are a product manager and currently leading a team to develop a new product. Unfortunately, the latest version of your product fails the quality check. Since each version is developed based on the previous version, all the versions after a bad version are also bad.

Suppose you have `n` versions `[1, 2, ..., n]` and you want to find out the first bad one, which causes all the following ones to be bad.

You are given an API `bool isBadVersion(version)` which returns whether `version` is bad. Implement a function to find the first bad version. You should minimize the number of calls to the API.

#### Example 1:

Input: `n = 5`, `bad = 4`

Output: 4

Explanation:

call `isBadVersion(3)` -> false

call `isBadVersion(5)` -> true

call `isBadVersion(4)` -> true

Then 4 is the first bad version.

#### Example 2:

Input: `n = 1`, `bad = 1`

Output: 1

#### Constraints:

- `1 <= bad <= n <= 231 - 1`

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In [43]: def firstBadVersion(n):
    left = 1
    right = n

    while left < right:
        mid = left + (right - left) // 2
        if isBadVersion(mid):
            right = mid
        else:
            left = mid + 1
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return left
```

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In [44]: # Example 1
n1 = 5
bad1 = 4
print(firstBadVersion(n1))

# Example 2
n2 = 1
bad2 = 1
print(firstBadVersion(n2))

4
1
```

#### 4. Maximum Gap

Given an integer array `nums`, return *the maximum difference between two successive elements in its sorted form*. If the array contains less than two elements, return `0`.

You must write an algorithm that runs in linear time and uses linear extra space.

##### Example 1:

Input: `nums = [3,6,9,1]`

Output: 3

Explanation: The sorted form of the array is `[1,3,6,9]`, either `(3,6)` or `(6,9)` has the maximum difference 3.

##### Example 2:

Input: `nums = [10]`

Output: 0

Explanation: The array contains less than 2 elements, therefore return 0.

##### Constraints:

- `1 <= nums.length <= 105`
- `0 <= nums[i] <= 109`

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In [45]: def maximumGap(nums):
        if len(nums) < 2:
            return 0

        max_num = max(nums)

        exp = 1
        n = len(nums)
        sorted_nums = [0] * n

        while max_num // exp > 0:
            count = [0] * 10

            for num in nums:
                count[(num // exp) % 10] += 1

            for i in range(1, 10):
                count[i] += count[i - 1]

            i = n - 1
            while i >= 0:
                digit = (nums[i] // exp) % 10
                sorted_nums[count[digit] - 1] = nums[i]
                count[digit] -= 1
                i -= 1

            nums = sorted_nums.copy()
            exp *= 10

        max_gap = 0
        for i in range(1, n):
            max_gap = max(max_gap, nums[i] - nums[i - 1])

        return max_gap
```

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In [46]: nums1 = [3, 6, 9, 1]
print(maximumGap(nums1))
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nums2 = [10]
print(maximumGap(nums2))
```

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3
0
```

## 5. Contains Duplicate

Given an integer array `nums`, return `true` if any value appears **at least twice** in the array, and return `false` if every element is distinct.

### Example 1:

Input: `nums = [1,2,3,1]`

Output: `true`

### Example 2:

Input: `nums = [1,2,3,4]`

Output: `false`

### Example 3:

Input: `nums = [1,1,1,3,3,4,3,2,4,2]`

Output: `true`

### Constraints:

- `1 <= nums.length <= 105`
- `109 <= nums[i] <= 109`

```
In [47]: def containsDuplicate(nums):
        num_set = set()

        for num in nums:
            if num in num_set:
                return True
            num_set.add(num)

        return False
```

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In [48]: nums1 = [1, 2, 3, 1]
        print(containsDuplicate(nums1))

        nums2 = [1, 2, 3, 4]
        print(containsDuplicate(nums2))

        nums3 = [1, 1, 1, 3, 3, 4, 3, 2, 4, 2]
        print(containsDuplicate(nums3))
```

```
True
False
True
```

## 6. Minimum Number of Arrows to Burst Balloons

There are some spherical balloons taped onto a flat wall that represents the XY-plane. The balloons are represented as a 2D integer array `points` where `points[i] = [xstart, xend]` denotes a balloon whose **horizontal diameter** stretches between `xstart` and `xend`. You do not know the exact y-coordinates of the balloons.

Arrows can be shot up **directly vertically** (in the positive y-direction) from different points along the x-axis. A balloon with `xstart` and `xend` is **burst** by an arrow shot at `x` if `xstart <= x <= xend`. There is **no limit** to the number of arrows that can be shot. A shot arrow keeps traveling up infinitely, bursting any balloons in its path.

Given the array `points`, return *the minimum number of arrows that must be shot to burst all balloons*.

### Example 1:

Input: `points = [[10,16],[2,8],[1,6],[7,12]]`

Output: `2`

Explanation: The balloons can be burst by 2 arrows:

- Shoot an arrow at  $x = 6$ , bursting the balloons  $[2,8]$  and  $[1,6]$ .
- Shoot an arrow at  $x = 11$ , bursting the balloons  $[10,16]$  and  $[7,12]$ .

**Example 2:**

Input: points =  $[[1,2],[3,4],[5,6],[7,8]]$

Output: 4

Explanation: One arrow needs to be shot for each balloon for a total of 4 arrows.

**Example 3:**

Input: points =  $[[1,2],[2,3],[3,4],[4,5]]$

Output: 2

Explanation: The balloons can be burst by 2 arrows:

- Shoot an arrow at  $x = 2$ , bursting the balloons  $[1,2]$  and  $[2,3]$ .
- Shoot an arrow at  $x = 4$ , bursting the balloons  $[3,4]$  and  $[4,5]$ .

**Constraints:**

- `1 <= points.length <= 10^5`
- `points[i].length == 2`
- `231 <= xstart < xend <= 2^31 - 1`

```
In [49]: def findMinArrowShots(points):
         if not points:
             return 0

         points.sort(key=lambda x: x[1])

         arrows = 1
         end = points[0][1]

         for i in range(1, len(points)):
             if points[i][0] > end:
                 arrows += 1
                 end = points[i][1]
             else:
                 end = min(end, points[i][1])

         return arrows
```

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In [50]: points1 = [[10, 16], [2, 8], [1, 6], [7, 12]]
         print(findMinArrowShots(points1))

         points2 = [[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6], [7, 8]]
         print(findMinArrowShots(points2))

         points3 = [[1, 2], [2, 3], [3, 4], [4, 5]]
         print(findMinArrowShots(points3))
```

2  
4  
2

## 7. Longest Increasing Subsequence

Given an integer array `nums`, return *the length of the longest strictly increasing\*\**

*\*subsequence\**

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**Example 1:**

Input: nums =  $[10,9,2,5,3,7,101,18]$

Output: 4

Explanation: The longest increasing subsequence is  $[2,3,7,101]$ , therefore the length is 4.

**Example 2:**

Input: nums = [0,1,0,3,2,3]

Output: 4

**Example 3:**

Input: nums = [7,7,7,7,7,7,7]

Output: 1

**Constraints:**

- `1 <= nums.length <= 2500`
- `-104 <= nums[i] <= 104`

```
In [51]: def lengthOfLIS(nums):
          if not nums:
              return 0

          n = len(nums)
          dp = [1] * n

          for i in range(1, n):
              for j in range(i):
                  if nums[i] > nums[j]:
                      dp[i] = max(dp[i], dp[j] + 1)

          return max(dp)
```

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In [52]: nums1 = [10, 9, 2, 5, 3, 7, 101, 18]
          print(lengthOfLIS(nums1))

          nums2 = [0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 3]
          print(lengthOfLIS(nums2))

          nums3 = [7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7]
          print(lengthOfLIS(nums3))
```

4  
4  
1

**8. 132 Pattern**

Given an array of `n` integers `nums`, a **132 pattern** is a subsequence of three integers `nums[i]`, `nums[j]` and `nums[k]` such that `i < j < k` and `nums[i] < nums[k] < nums[j]`.

Return `true` if there is a 132 pattern in `nums`, otherwise, return `false`.

**Example 1:**

Input: nums = [1,2,3,4]

Output: false

Explanation: There is no 132 pattern in the sequence.

**Example 2:**

Input: nums = [3,1,4,2]

Output: true

Explanation: There is a 132 pattern in the sequence: [1, 4, 2].

**Example 3:**

Input: nums = [-1,3,2,0]

Output: true

Explanation: There are three 132 patterns in the sequence: [-1, 3, 2], [-1, 3, 0] and [-1, 2, 0].

**Constraints:**

- `n == nums.length`
- `1 <= n <= 2 * 105`

- $-10^9 \leq \text{nums}[i] \leq 10^9$

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In [53]: def find132pattern(nums):
          n = len(nums)
          stack = []
          max_value = float('-inf')

          for i in range(n-1, -1, -1):
              if nums[i] < max_value:
                  return True

              while stack and nums[i] > stack[-1]:
                  max_value = stack.pop()

              stack.append(nums[i])

          return False
```

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In [54]: nums1 = [1, 2, 3, 4]
          print(find132pattern(nums1))

          nums2 = [3, 1, 4, 2]
          print(find132pattern(nums2))

          nums3 = [-1, 3, 2, 0]
          print(find132pattern(nums3))

          False
          True
          True
```

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